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### IS COMMANDER MCKINLEY ASLEEP?

The war has lasted just one month to-day, and what has been accomplished?

Cuba is still in possession of Spain. So is Porto Rico. And both are harder to take now than they were when President McKinley ordered the Spaniards to leave.

The blockade has resulted in the capture of some merchant ships, fights at Matanzas, Cienfuegos and Cardenas, the death of one American officer and several of our men, and the starvation of an unknown number of reconcentrados, to relieve whose sufferings was our first declared purpose. The blockade has been death to them and has done the Spaniards no appreciable harm.

Admiral Dewey's brilliant victory at Manila, which excited the world and evoked its admiration, has served chiefly to demonstrate how incapable the Government is of following up an advantage. Dewey is still in Manila Bay circumstanced precisely as he was twenty days ago when he had sunk the enemy's ships and made himself master of the harbor. Troops to support him have not yet left San Francisco, and the one cruiser that was supposed to have started has gone back to Mare Island for leisurely repairs.

Admiral Sampson, Commodore Schley and Commodore Watson, the commanders of our Atlantic squadrons, are chasing around the seas in search of a Spanish fleet that up to date has been clever enough to keep out of their way.

The Board of Strategy, the Secretary of the Navy, the Secretary of War, and President McKinley—Commander-in-Chief of the forces by sea and land, and empowered to remove his aids at will—may be indirectly satisfied with the month's work, but nobody else is.

The neglect to support Dewey is a disgraceful exhibition of mindless sloth.

The blockade which starves our friends and leaves our enemy all the time he needs to strengthen his defences and perfect his means of communication is fatuous.

The employment of the better part of our navy in a chase after a quicker sailing Spanish squadron is beginning to appeal to the national sense of humor. The chase is all right, but why use so many ships—ships that could be turned to better service?

Havana is still where it always has been. San Juan doesn't go off on elusive cruises. Santiago and Cienfuegos are obliging enough to stay put. Why not leave the pursuit of the Spanish ships to one American fleet, and open the guns of our other war ships on things that stand still—the important ports of Cuba and Porto Rico?

Rouse yourself and do something, Mr. McKinley! Dismiss the timid men, the over-wise men, the to-learned strategists who surround you. Get rid of the solemn incompetents and put the conduct of the war into the hands of professional fighters who know that war ought to be rough and hot work, and who really want to fight.

Feebleness of purpose, bewilderment of mind and an amazingly unsanguinary disposition mark the Washington end of this conflict.

A whole month gone and nothing done! Nothing but the Manila victory, the great blaze of which now lights up the astounding lethargy of the Government. The world is beginning to laugh at us.

What's the matter, Mr. McKinley? You are the Chief Magistrate of a great country. You can have all the men, arms and money you want for the asking. You know that, yet you do nothing.

Instead of the roar of guns knocking Spanish fortifications about Spanish ears in Cuba, and in Spain itself, we have what?

A snore at Washington.

Wake up, Mr. McKinley, wake up! If you can't rise to your task, acknowledge it to yourself. If you don't know what to do call in somebody that does, and then let him alone. Sit down on the politicians and give the Admirals and Generals a free rein. They know

their business.

If the past month gives a true measure of the vigor and brains of the Administration as a war maker, the war won't be over for years.

Do something, Mr. McKinley, do something!—New York Journal.

Capt. Walter B. Barker, the former Consul to Sagua la Grande, Cuba, is on a sick bed at Washington, by reason, he says, of the change of climate from Cuba to this country. "I hardly suffered a day's illness during my three year's sojourn in Sagua," said Capt. Barker. "With proper sanitary conditions Cuba, especially the mountains thereof, is more healthful than this climate. I see by the newspapers that the idea prevails largely that our unseasoned troops will suffer more from the ravages of infectious disease than from the guns of the enemy. This is erroneous. There is no more delightful country in this section of the world than Cuba in the summer; it is no more disease breeding than some of our Gulf States, and certainly no reasonable fear on this account should avail among Southerners who are about to enlist in the army."

The Charleston sailed Sunday from San Francisco for Manila, and the City of Pekin and the Monterey were due to leave last night. The Pekin was loaded with the First Regiment and a number of volunteer companies. These are the first of 12,000 troops to be sent to Manila. These include volunteers from Minnesota, Wyoming, Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado. The trip will take about 30 days, the distance being 6,200.

Everybody familiar with the positions of the American ships knew at once that there was no credence to be placed in the report Sunday that a great battle had been fought off Hayti Saturday morning. The squadrons of both Sampson and Schley only left Key West Friday and Hayti is 1,000 miles from Key West.

Louisville Music Festival cleared \$336 and the Directors are very much pleased at the success of the undertaking. Preparations for a bigger one next year are already under way.

Jeff Justice, of Prestonburg, Ky., dropped dead while taking a drink of water. Now look out for a fresh crop of alleged jokes about that entirely original subject of drinking in Kentucky.

The suggestion in some of the papers that Grover Cleveland be appointed Brigadier General is not being taken very seriously. Ducks and not Dons are Grover's strong hold.

Cervera, who sailed into Santiago Thursday sailed out again Friday and is now on his way to Martinique, where he will coal his fleet again, provided the French authorities raise no objections.

Lou Emma Chandler, a 12-year-old convict from Owsley county, has been pardoned by the Governor.

Cap. Stewart M. Brice, a son of Calvin S. Brice, has returned from Europe to serve in the Commissary department.

The Kentucky and Kearsarge will be ready for service by November 1, unless some accident occurs to delay the work.

Teddy Roosevelt's Terrors are to be armed with Cuban machetes instead of the regular cavalry swords. They will be ready to leave San Antonio the last of the week.

### Will Receive Bids.

We will be at the mouth of the Locust lane, near Beverly, Ky., on Monday, May 23, 1898, at 9 a. m., to give specifications to those who desire to bid on contract for grading, metaling, and re-metaling the Palmyra road from the end of Palmyra pike to Liberty church.

Right reserved to reject any and all bids.

JNO. Y. OWSLEY, Com'r.  
THOS. H. MAJOR, {

## SMOKELESS POWDER.

### Admiral Sampson's Cruisers Furnished With the Article.

Washington, D. C., May 23.—Admiral Sampson's cruisers have been furnished with smokeless powder, the first lot delivered of a \$250,000 contract given the Duponts three months ago. The terrible smoke made by the ordinary brown powder used in heavy guns makes it impossible to see twenty yards after the second round. Admiral Sampson reports that the faces of the men handling the guns at San Juan, Matanzas and Cardenas "were covered with saltpeter at the second round from the 8-inch and 13-inch guns, while the thirst created from the smoke and gas of this burnt powder, under the heat of a tropical sun, is absolutely unendurable."

Within a fortnight the entire fleet, 13-inch guns and all, will have an abundant supply of this new powder.

### A Third Spanish Squadron.

Gibraltar, May 23.—The Governor here will not allow war vessels passing the straits to be reported.

The Spaniards are preparing what they call their third squadron, which will consist of Princess de Asturias, of 7,000 tons, and with a speed of 20 knots, now at Cadiz; the Cardinal Cisneros, at Ferrol, of the same size and speed; the Lepanto, at Cartagena, of 5,000 tons and speed 20 knots, and Numancia and the Vitoria, which is being newly armored and engined. There are also at Ferrol the torpedo gunboats Dona Maria de Molina, the Marques de la Victoria and the Don Alvaro de Bazan, each of 800 tons and 20 knots speed.

Unless the American Government moves quickly it will have the fore-going to contend with, in addition to Admiral Cervera's and Admiral Camara's squadrons. The latter is expected to leave Cadiz within a few days. His destination is unknown, but it is probably the Antilles, notwithstanding that the newspapers say the Philippines.

### Hopkinsville Produce Market.

Cash prices paid by Hopkinsville merchants:

Bacon—  
Hams—country ..... 7½@8c  
Shoulders ..... 4½@5c  
Sides ..... 6@6½c  
Lard ..... 5½@6c

### Country Produce—

Butter ..... 16c  
Eggs ..... 8c  
New feathers ..... 30@32c  
Beeswax ..... 20@22c  
Tallow ..... 3c  
Ginseng, per lb. .... \$2@2.25  
Honey ..... 10c  
Tub-washed wool ..... 28@30c  
Greased ..... 18@20c  
Burly wool ..... 10@14c

### Poultry—

Old chickens, live, per lb. .... 5½@6c  
Roosters ..... 2½c  
Turkeys, per lb ..... 6c  
Ducks ..... 4c

### Grain—

Clover, per bushel ..... \$3  
Oats, home grown, per bu. 35@38c  
Corn ..... 35c  
Wheat ..... 95c

### Live stock—

Hogs ..... \$3@3.50  
Sheep ..... \$2.50@3.50  
Cattle ..... \$2.50@4  
Calves ..... \$3.50@4

### Hides and Furs—

Green hides ..... 6@7c  
Green salted hides ..... 8c  
Dry flint ..... 10@12c

### Vegetables—

New potatoes, per bushel ..... 50c  
Cabbage, per barrel ..... 50c

### Behold!

That great Philanthropist T. M. EDMUNDSON, is still in the ring, for the enchantment of distressed humanity. He is dispensing at his old stand the following popular brands: Old Prentice, Early Times, Old Barber, Hackley, Melwood, McBrayer the best on earth for medical purposes. Come and see me all of you who are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest.

Rev. J. U. Spurlin will meet his friends and neighbors and all who will attend at Sinking Fork church next Sunday, in a fitting service to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of his settlement in that neighborhood.

# Tremendous Sacrifice

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### See Our Ready-To-Wear Suits,

They are "Dandies," made by the best tailors and from THE BEST CLOTH.

### IN SHOES we have the Best. All the Latest Styles.

GIVE US A CALL AND WE WILL PLEASE YOU.

Remember the Place—Next Door to Hardwick's

## Ladies' and Childrens' Slippers.

Are you interested in the prices of Ladies' and Childrens' Slippers?

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### AT HALF PRICE!

Our Little Giant shoes and slippers are the best wearing goods brought to this market and every one who has ever tried them will testify the truth of this assertion

### 200 PAIRS

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WORTH 75c, 1.00, 1.25 and 1.50

### CUT PRICE 40c, 50c, 65c and 75c.

250 pairs childrens' black kid and tan oxfords, worth worth 75c, 1.00, 1.25, and 1.50.

### CUT PRICE 40, 50, 65 & 75 CTS.

We will also put in this sale our entire line of Little Giant black kid and tan button spring heel shoes, sizes from 5s to 13s at same big reduction, Half Price.

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### THE POST -- DISPATCH.

15 cents a week (seven days) if delivered by agent; 60 cents a month if sent by mail.

### Commissioner's Sale.

Monday, June 6, 1898, 11 a. m. Those desiring to purchase homes, farm property, or to invest in any kind of real estate would do well to attend this sale on above date, as there is some desirable property (both farms and city property) to be sold.

FRANK RIVES,  
Master Com'r of the C. C. C.

### Summer Excursion Rates.

The I. C. R. R., will sell summer excursion tickets as follows:  
Cerulean Springs and return ..... 80c  
Dawson Springs and return ..... \$1.70  
Crittenden Sp'gs and return ..... 3.25  
Grayson Springs and return ..... 5.80  
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